Boston May 1829

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

Dear Sir

I rec^d, I am ashamed to say how long since your obliging letter with the names of the plants I left in N York. Your names will be of great assistance to me, particularly in the carices which genus I had really been afraid to attempt having no plates to assist me no local flora & no herbarium to refer to for confirmation of opinions, or removing doubts. There are two or three species of Juncus in this neighbourhood which I cannot make to agree with any of the descriptions. One of them you will find enclosed, this tho' not a very magnificent ~~plant~~ specimen is still much larger than it is often found. The Sc. Lacustris (Edinburgh) which you found with the plants was the Sc. lacustris. var. glaucus of British authors. You say of the Juncei there are many more species than are described or else there are too many already I suspect however paradoxical it may appear that there are both too many & too few. I have no doubt that several of the species still remain to be de-

- scribed & that mere varieties have been described as species - I passed two or three days last week at Tewksbury my object was to procure specimens of a few plants which I had hitherto only found in fruit - such as Kalmia glauca - Andromeda polifolia Schenchzeria I also found one or two which I believe have not before been known to belong to this neighbourhood - the Corallorhiza innata Convallaria trifolia abundantly. You describe this as 4 to 6 flowered my specs. have from 10 to 12 and an Eriogonum which ~~is to be~~ Nuttall says is this O parviflora, it is very like the figure of O. asperifolia in Michaux - I notice what you say with regard to collecting specimens & can assure you that whenever I have an opportunity I am not remiss in providing a sufficient number -

I am sorry to say I have not been successful in procuring subscribers towards defraying the expenses of the western expedition one solitary share alone excepted which my brother would like to subscribe for - If you have been successful I am ready at any

time that you may want the money & will let me know it to pay for this & the two shares I agreed to take when in New York & in case of specimens being sent home must beg you to act as my proxy — when do you intend paying us a visit in Boston? think you could pass a few days with us very pleasantly if you could be contented with such accommodations as my domicile afford I should be highly gratified if you would come & make my house your head quarters

yrs truly R D Greene

INSTITUTE OF GEOLOGICAL SCIENCE
MUSEUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

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H. D. Gray

Rev. 459 Gray

Aug. 9

H. D. Gray

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Boston July 1820

ASA GRAY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

My Dear Sir

I was lately requested by a gentleman in Scotland to send him with some other books, a copy of your Flora. I cannot procure a copy from our booksellers & therefore take the liberty to request you to send him on my account a copy of as much of the work as is now published & the remainder when it is completed — his address is — G. A. W. Arnott No 7 St John's Street Edinburgh — Dr Hooker should it be sent to him would forward it to Mr Arnott, or if sent by one of your Liverpool packets directed as above & to the care of Mess Latham & Gair

Liverpool (from B'Agrene) it would reach its destination — Mr Arnott also requested one if I had or could procure specimens of the Dionaea muscipula in flower and fruit to send him some as he is desirous of ascertaining its situation & affinities in the natural arrangement — if you have any duplicates of this plant to spare I will send it with your book I shall feel highly obliged to you as I have no specimen of this plant in my herbarium.

About a fortnight since I was in New York ~~and called~~ for a couple of days & called at your house, but was disappointed in not finding you in the city — I left for you a little Caren which I believe is new but without a very strict examination, I have called it. m/s n[illegible]ctetalata from the circumstance of both

peduncles bearing the fertile spikes being furnished near their ~~middle~~ with a short ~~bract~~ subulate bract, as in the violets — a character new to me in this genus — habitat — top of the blue hills near Boston —

enclosed is a small specimen of a plant found last year in Tewksbury — I know nothing of it — I remain over

Truly Yrs

P. D. Greene

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

PAID

Dr John Torrey

New York

Boston Feb 15, 1851

My Dear Sir

I was very sorry to find that you had been obliged to give up your visit to Boston & tho' there might not be much to be accomplished in the fields of Tewksbury at this season I think we could have such work of one sort or another that would have kept you pretty busy for a week at all events as in addition to my herbarium I have lately rec'd from Dr Hooker a set of Drummond's mosses besides 30 or 000 specimens of phanogamous plants nearly half of which are from the North West ~~plants~~ - these I think you would be much pleased to look over - also his Icones Filicum a coloured copy of the Flora Exotica - & two first numbers of the Flora boreali Americana - now if I could get you here in a real North East

HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

storm or when the ground was covered with snow I might hope to keep you quick in the house for a day or two which in fine weather in June I might not so easily accomplish — I have really done nothing the last summer — with regard to the little unknown Tewkesbury aquatic — I fear that it will turn out after all to be some common thing — I went to Tewkesbury during y^e^ summer principally to decide something about it & hunted about in the water the whole of one morning without finding a single specimen. I was unwilling however to give it up & tried again the next day & at length found it but from the state in which I found it I strongly suspect that it is merely a young plant with the seed still attached to it — in one specimen there was but one leaf & that very minute & the radicles still more so & on picking up a handful of mud in order to secure the roots of another I found in the mass I should think as many as fifty seeds precisely resembling what I had supposed the fruit of the plant — are you acquainted with the germination of the Villarsia? If I am correct in supposing it a young plant it is still interesting, affording a singular & to me quite novel form of germination in

which a shoot is first thrown out of about an inch in length without any appearance of cotyledon, from the extremity of which the stem arises & the roots descend - e.g.

you must be charmed with this specimen of my skill — only two or three capsules of the Splachnum left, to avoid the charge of a double letter & to satisfy you of its existence.

I shall be happy to send you better specimens whenever I may know of a private opportunity & should be still better pleased to have you come on & get it — The grass you mention I have quite forgotten — there is an undescribed Festuca at Chelsea Beach & it may have been a specimen of that but this is only a guess — I am glad to hear that you have rec'd plants from Gales — I know not & am not likely to know of any private opportunity. I should think as good a way as any would be to put them on board one of the Boston packets directed to me N° 50 Chestnut Street & if you would write me a line at the same time if they should not send them to me I would go for them — Do you still expect to publish an edition of the work on the Natural orders — & how comes on the 2nd Volume — I intended when I began

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

D. say something about Carices - but have only room
D. thank you for what you have done & D.
assure you that I am

very truly Yrs. [illegible] Greene

HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Dr. D. C. Eaton
Prof. of Botany
New York

Dr. D. C. Eaton.
Oct. 15th 1881
Recd. Oct. 20th

Jan 18 1832

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM

Spiachnum ? (Bridges
resembles somewhat
the angustatum but
I imagine it is diff[t] sp
as the columella is dis-
tinctly everted in this
moss & no mention of
columella is made
in Hooker's description
of Spl angustatum.
The leaves are much

more lanceolate than
in the leaves of the asoph-
yllus is generally broader
than the capsule. Habitat
also differs from that
last — as this plant was
found on Cowdung, on
which acc'd to Hooker
the lunii never grow

Yrs very truly

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

To Dr Torrey

To I was much gratified
on meeting upon Edition
of Lindley's book the day
mice. ah a [illegible]

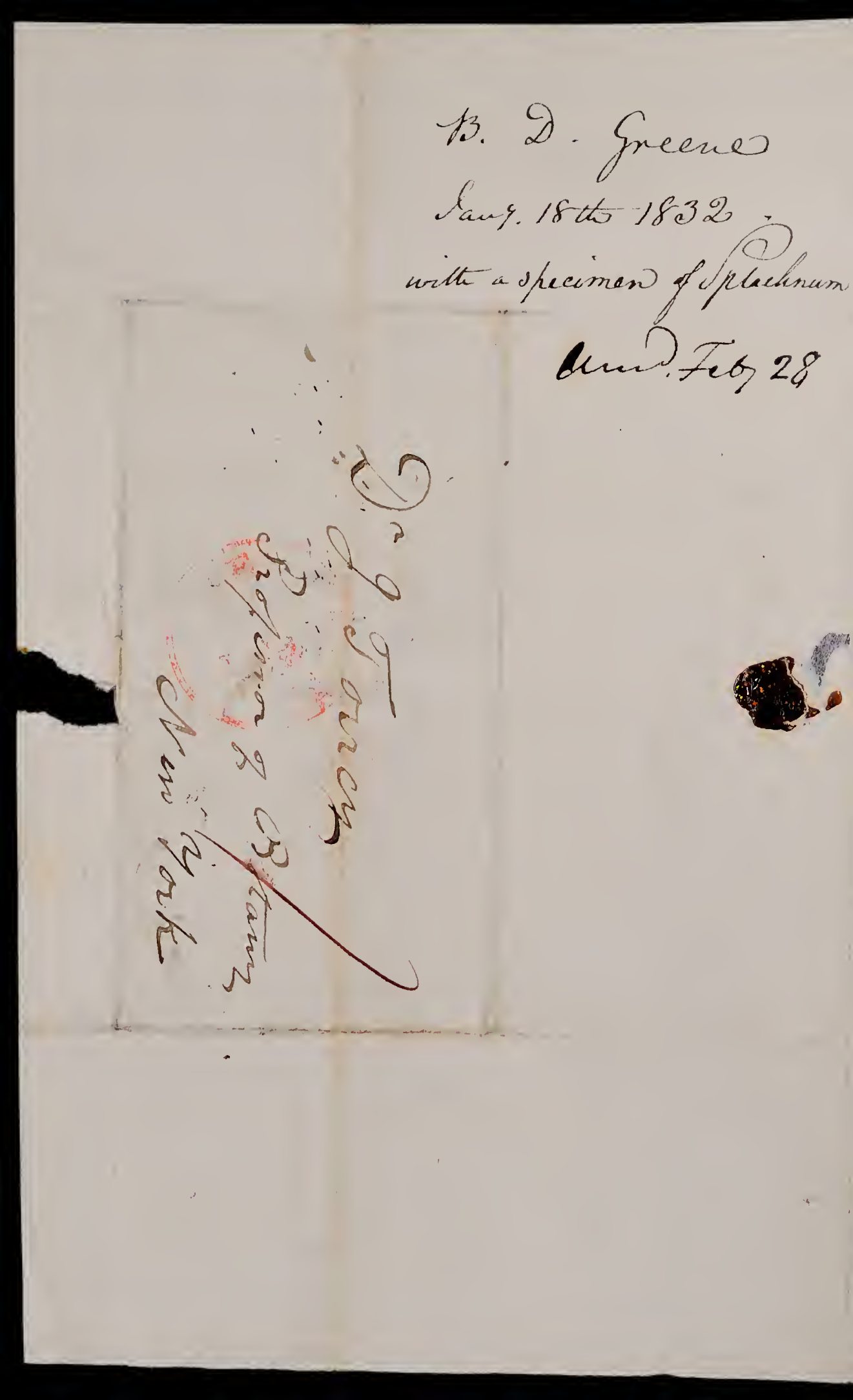
ASA GRAY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

B. D. Greene

Jany. 18th 1832.

with a specimen of Splachnum

Recd. Feby 28



Boston July 1, 1842

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

My Dear

Your letter of the 28
a few days before sailing, suit for Charleston
from whence I returned early last month. The ac-
-count without any locality annexed is produced now
-ver by Schweinitz & Torrey sometimes as new
species & sometimes as varieties of Carex
Intumescens. You would oblige me very much
by stating whether you have any specimens
of it. I should like to see them. I have
received through Dr Gray the Specimens of Mr Nuttall's
new species from him — have you heard
any thing of Drummond's collection yet? in my
letter from Col. Leland have you seen the
notice I presume you have. Your letter did not
reach me
was a letter at the same time from N.Y. This was
sent to Philadelphia. I have not yet

Dick I know nothing of Puttall Rerflora
except from birds as well as botany & never
shooting except the entomologist knows fossil shells
& conchology Zoology &c &c in Charleston & abounds with
I picked up a good number of their Spring plants
but not much that is rare, perhaps nothing, some
Carices & grasses which remain to be discovered
& one or two very queer Scirpi — the only
plant of any interest that I have seen since my
return is a Carex which I found in Cambridge a
day or two since — make quite from D Bo-
-tanic Garden (or for so I have examined it) with
flowers on the summits, cylindrical the fruit near-
-ly spherical & whitish before it is quite ripe &
very hairy — I was very glad that you had again
taken hold of Botany & did regret to have interrupted by
the way of [illegible] that I might have looked in
& seen what you were about but I was disappointed

I have only to hope now that you will soon make up your mind to stay as you long promised to do to Boston

I am very sincerely

Yr friend & D Treat

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

B. D. Greene

July 11th 1832

Recd.

Ansd. Oct. 2nd

Boston Aug 3. 1833

FUNGI AMERICANI EXSICCATI
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

My dear Sir

I have at last rec yours of 18 July as the time you wrote I was in Charleston S. C. it was sent from Lan & Philadelphia under the impression that I should return by the way of that city & has at last been forwarded from that city — I made a pretty good collection in Charleston of the Spring plants of its neighborhood but have done very little since my return — I have been for some years past slightly acquainted with Miss Din & consider her one of the most interesting & intelligent of the ladies of Boston — I dont know how far you have attended to our Algae, but should be very happy to know that you could determine for her the genera & species she has so industriously collected in our vicinity &

Another — I have examined in our
register the names of all the counsellors and
attorneys at Law & have asked one or two of
our lawyers if they know such a person as
J. ~ D. Swidge but have not as yet been able to
dis-cover any such person should I ever meet ~~with~~
him I will endeavour to ascertain the date of
Lyrille's Elge — I was a good deal surprised
at Dr B account of the Frontium — Nuttall in
his genera is very different & I should think
much more likely to be true — has not the Dr
confounded the primary vaginate leaves of Vr.
with the cotyledons? — I should have be-
happy to have made the exchange proposed by
Mr Cooper had I received his letter at the
time it was written but before I did so
(his letter was sent on to Phil.a with yours & &c at
the same time) it proposed an exchange of plants for shells

I had presented them to the Lyc. of Nat. History

with you have the goodness to explain to me

Cooper the reason of no notice having been

taken of his letter ——

I remain very truly Yrs

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

B. D. Greene

Augt. 3rd, 1832

Rec? Augt. 14? 1832

Boston Nov 4 1832

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

My dear Sir

I rec'd yours of 31 on Friday afternoon & the next morning called on Mr Henshaw at the Custom House & gave him his bill - he did not know whether the packages had been landed but would attend & would either forward it to you or deliver it to me he did not know whether there would be any charge but if there should be ~~will~~ let me know & I will settle it — You have made some mistake about the Anemone. In the Flora Bor Am - an Anemone multifida is described & ~~#~~ A Hudsoniana of Richardson in Franklin's journal is referred to as a synonym but this plant is not figured in Fl. Bor. Am. the description in this work of A multifida so far as relates to the leaves & involucrum agrees very well with my plants but "heads of pericarps roundish oval" does not at all correspond & the hooked style is not mentioned - Dr Hooker to whom I sent it says "an Anemone near Virginica appears to me new with an exceedingly narrow receptacle of carpels & remarkably uncinate styles!! This last character was what first satisfied me that the plant was distinct from Virginica - The Dr certainly thought it distinct from multifida (Hudsoniana) but whether it is or not I can not pretend to decide - should it prove new uncinata would perhaps be a better name than the one I first proposed —

I do not feel disposed just now to subscribe to Mr Schweinitz Southern traveller as I have made up my mind to give to Leitner

who is also an slave of Steudel as much as I can well afford just now & $10 per hundred is not very low. by the way I hope you still mean to go on with your New Jersey plan I like that much better

I send you a list of Carices from Annals of Lyceum — several common species & some that I already have but I am desirous of getting your own names to the plants & several of the commonest species I have never been able satisfactorily to distinguish —— I have omitted the North Western species not because I have them but because I supposed you would have no duplicates of these to spare ———— Willdenowii, filifolia, laxiflora, aquatilis, bromoides, retroflexa, Muhlenbergii, Sparganioides, Floridana, setacea, bicolor, arida, lagopodioides, foenea, straminea, cristata, festucacea, scirpoides, tenera, atrata, viridula, Buxbaumii, formosa, Novae Angliae, vestita, dasycarpa, marginata, pubescens, Alpestris, laxiflora, granularis, astulata, miliacea, glaucescens, Elliottii, Barrattii, trichocarpa ver-nucosa?, retrorsa, Schweinitzii, pellita, Cherokeensis —

Any of the above which you can spare will much oblige

Yr sincere friend W D Sumner

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE HERBARIUM COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

P.S. had you any copies of Yr Compendium to send to D Hooker

The map sent in a former letter was from C2 Sr. I did not know it — it struck me as being

carious from the length of the Apophysis — trauma

or what not —

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Sp. added by E. T.

C. collecta

— ? gracilis Dewey

— planda Dewey

— Halleyana

— ? varia - Sand - R. Brazos

B D. Greene

Nov. 4th 1832

Dr J Torrey

Professor of Botany

New York

Rec'd Aug 23rd

Ans. Feby 5th

Boston Jan 18. 1833

...Y CORRESPONDENCE
...ERBARIUM
...MBIA UNIVERSITY.

My dear Sir

I rec'd some time in Dec your letter dated 14 Nov & within a day or two the package of plants which is announced. The Alabama plants I made a division of some time since & wrote Baker to tell him that I should send for his address or keep them until he should send for them as he might advise. I have not yet heard from him — there are some good plants among them & many which I have not yet been able at all to make out — among others I noticed a Sarothra which I take to be the same Hook which Drummond sent from the West & which Dr Hooker has decided to be a new species. With your Carices I was very much pleased & am much indebted for them They have supplied many desiderata & enabled me to decide many species which had been for a long time

Typing without names in my herbarium. Of
your C. Alpestris - Davisii Dewey / you say in annals of
Lyceum "Spicâ infimâ radicali longissime pedunculata
whereas I have never been able to find such long radical
peduncle either in the plants you have sent me or
in those which I had gathered & inspected & C
Davisii — is Dewey's aquatilis a good species?
I have a small package for you which I shall
send on by Mr Quinby in which there are 3 or 4
Charleston Carices which I should like to have you
name for & two or three of the plants of this
neighbourhood with queries annexed also 3 or 4
Scotch plants which I lately rec'd from my brother
& thought it possible you might have [illegible] the
whole amounts to very little

HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

I should have written you earlier but at the
time I rec'd your letter I was very much engaged
with my father who was then lying very sick of
an illness which shortly after proved his last
since then I have been in various ways prevented
& remain ever very sincerely yr friend A. D. Brown

Boston Feb'y 1833

My Dear Sir

I rec'd yr's of the [illegible] a day or

GRAY HERBARIUM CORRESPONDENCE
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

two since & am much disappointed to find I shall not have the pleasure of seeing you again before your sailing for Europe. I hope your New Jersey plan is not abandoned but that you will leave your directions with a zealous botanist & reap a rich harvest from his labours on your return. I [redacted] rec'd a letter a few days since from my brother in which he asks me to send him his Poaceæ & particularly to add any species I may have of the genus Cratægus & says also that if I can procure from you any authentic specimens of this genus they would be particularly acceptable

I fear I am quite too late in my application but if by chance you should have time & could have them with any one in N York I should send them early in March — I have not yet heard from Oakes, his plants are waiting very patiently for his orders. I fear I shall be rather

for early at the South & do much however I shall ship off two or three Reams of paper to Lindley & if I can only make an half as well in the vegetable as he proposes to do in the mineral kingdom I shall think I ought to be satisfied - You pay you shall take out all the rare & doubtful plants in your hall &c & this is no doubt the most important object but you will do well also to take with you as many duplicates of all sorts as you can lay your hands on - I endose a letter to my brother & should have been happy to have added others but you are already acquainted with all & more than all the naturalists I am acquainted with - You will be delighted with Dr Hooker who will be happy to introduce you to any of the Savants whether in England or France

With best wishes that your visit may be pleasant & your return safe

I am very truly yrs R D Greene

P.S. Messrs Welles & Co Paris will give you my brother's address, there you may obtain from any American in Paris

SCIENTIFIC CORRESPONDENCE
OF ALEXANDER VON HUMBOLDT
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

Boston Sept 15. 1833

My dear Sir

I rec.d your favor of the 12th last evening & was very glad to learn from it that Dr Gray had been at work collecting in the pine barrens, as my object at present is to procure as large an amount of duplicates as conveniently can, for exchange I should prefer holding to the original proposal and taking the third of all he has collected during his last herborizations I presume that I shall in this way procure more specimens than Gray will. On my return which I hope to be in about a year from the time of leaving home I shall be desirous of procuring from Dr G all the plants of your neighbourhood which are not in my herbarium & I think his terms reasonable. With regard to the plants for my brother I think you had as well keep them till the 1st October when I hope to sail myself & when at all events we

GRAY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
HARVARD UNIVERSITY

Amory who married one of my sisters is to sail
for Havre — if I should not be able to get off
at that time he will be happy to take charge of
any thing for Copley (my brother) I think with you
that Dr G's plan of a Cryptogamic flora will be of
great service & hope he will meet with en-
-couragement — As I shall be off by the 1st if
possible will you forward on the 1st to Havre of plants
ready for me by that time — Your collections
for France I shall be happy to take charge of
& hope to be with you a day or two before sailing
to see some of the good things & listen to
the talk which you promise me

very truly Yrs

J D Greene

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

Paris July 2, 1834

FORMER CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

My dear Sir

I am truly mortified to have to tell you that neither of the letters you gave me on leaving N York were delivered on reaching Paris They were placed - I presume the day that I received them in a pamphlet and on my arrival I recollect hunting for a long time unsuccessfully for a letter I thought I had rec.d for my brother but not finding it I presumed I had been mistaken & gave it up

shortly after I left Paris to which I only returned a fortnight since a day or two after my arrival as I was sitting in the parlour my wife who had been examining a trunk of books she had left in Paris came into the room with some letters in her hand & asked – What can these be – on examining them I found to my deep mortification & regret that they were letters from you to my brother & to Dr Swan – The letter to Copley I immediately sent him back on inquiring at Webbs for the D^r was informed that he had some time since sailed for America – I write

now to inform you of all this not be-
-cause it can be of much service to you
but simply that the blame may at-
-tach where it is deserved

my inexcusable carelessness not-
-withstanding I am

very sincerely Your friend

J. D. Sheene

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

Dr J Torrey

Professor of Chemistry

N York

François I.

NEW-YORK

NEW-YORK
AMERICAN MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY

Rec? Nov? 7th 1834
Answ. Nov. 8th

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Dear Torrey

I arrived here last evening and have some things for you which I should have brought up with me but my luggage is still in the ship which has not yet got up should she do so in time I shall be off this afternoon if not I fear I shall not have the pleasure of seeing you I will leave every thing I can lay my hands on for you at the bar at Bunker's should I by mistake carry on any thing with me I will forward it as soon as it comes to hand. but I think I shall find without difficulty every thing I have in charge for you.

yrs very truly R D Greene

P.S. I am at No 6 Broadway

Rec'd Jany 12
and. Feby 5th

Boston Jan'y 7. 1835

#32—

Please to pay to Dr. John Torrey or order
Thirty two dollars & charge the same to my account
To the Cashier
of the Union Bank
New York

Yr obed't Ser't
~~Asa Gray~~

cancelled because
written over on the back

Jan 7th 1835.

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

My dear Sir

I was glad to find by your
of 25th that the package I had forwarded
had reached you. I have since found a lithographic
print of Greville (a portrait) which he requested me
to give you & which I shall send when I have an
opportunity. I have brought out the three numbers of
the 2nd series of Bot. Mis. of which you speak. &
suppose that before this another No has been published

probably also of the N. A. Flora — Drummond's
first plants were not much better than you seem
to think them — both the last lot from Texas were
pretty fair specimens and contained many good
plants — I went through it with the Dr & have
brought on a pretty complete set — as to Baldwin's
plants I do not think you have set too high a price
provided the specimens are in fair order & I should
like very well to purchase a portion of them provided
I could know what they were both purchasing at a
venture I should I presume get so many mere
duplicates that unless I could have a catalogue out
see the plants I should not care to purchase. I have not
attempted to procure any subscribers for Gray's Examina
& Syst — both wish you would send a set 1& 2nd to
Dr Greville in my name as soon as the 2nd N° is out,
Bigelow might take one & I will take some occasion to
ask him but our society are too poor. I should like
a set myself which you can send me as soon as 2nd No

is completed — Copley is not doing anything just now in Botany whether he will take hold again or not I can't say & I am not able to do much myself as my house is not ready for me & my books & plants are all packed up I annex an order for $32 for D^r Gray from Copley which I have the goodness to pay him — Booth has been chosen professor of Nat History at Cambridge and will accept the office

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

very sincerely Y^rs Benj D Greene

Dr J Torrey

Prof Chem ? &c —

New York

Rec'd Feby 14th 1845

Ans. July 4th

Boston Feb 9 1838

CORRESPONDENCE
MUSEUM
OF COMPARATIVE ZOOLOGY

My dear Sir

I have been lately applied to by my friend Mr William Booth (a brother of the Doctors) who has just returned from England for a number of carices which he wishes to send to the Dr in London. I don't know any other bot. whom so likely as yourself to be able to supply his desiderata - you may not be able to send all the species he wants but I have no doubt you can furnish more of them than any one else — I subjoin his list —

C. setacea — Dewey
C. decomposita ? ~~Schw & Tor~~ ?
C. aquatilis (Schw & Tor ?)
C. alata (Torrey)
C. Jamesii
C. filifolia (Nuttall)
C. complanata (Torrey)
C. oxylepis (Torrey)
C. Novangliae (Schwz)
C. Floridana (Torrey)
C. vernusta (Dewey)
C. Elliottii (Schw & Tor)
C. turgescens (Torrey)
C. Cherokeensis (Schw)
C. microdonta (Torrey)
C. bicarvis ?
C Greeniana.
C. Barrattii (Schw & Tor)

Is it true that D^r Hooker has discontinued his Companion I. S. — I have heard nothing of Gray since I saw you he has given up all thoughts I fear of his promised visit —

I rec^d some time since from you copies of poor Croom's catalogue for our Society & for myself, for both which I was highly obliged to you

Yrs very truly

A. Gray

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Rec'd May 4th.

Ans'd May 5th

Boston May 1, 1835

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

My dear Sir

I regret to find that I have let a month elapse without an answer to yrs of 1st Apl when I rec'd it I had not looked at or opened any of my plants & could not say whether there was any thing worth sending you or not. I have since looked over the Scirpi which I had selected for my herbarium before I went away & at first thought there was nothing which would interest you and perhaps this is the case - however if I had known of any private opportunity I think I should have sent you all I could lay my hands on - & will forward them now by one of the packets if you think it worth while - There is none of the Tewksbury Sc with mature fruit tho' gathered as late as September

the mutatus of Lin. being a native of Jamaica is probably distinct — ~~tho~~ The description is too short to decide any thing — There are two species of viviparous Is from Charleston — one strictly aquatic and floating differing from any thing I am acquainted with the other in situations occasionally inundated which I thought might be the viviparus of Elliott — There are two or three others which I have never been able to decide about — one little plant from Cooksbury which is not acicularis & another which I have called Mss submersus this may possibly be only a variety of acicularis — there are also one or two of Drummond's Scirpi which I do not know — what there may be scattered through the bundles I brought home with me I dont know but as I have at last got with my house I may at some time to discover

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

Yrs very truly J D Green

PS Any western plants that you can spare would be very acceptable and ~~you might~~ I may perhaps find

~~find~~ something among the specimens I have brought home which you will be glad to receive in exchange

HERBARIUM CORRESPONDENCE
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My dear Sir

I had yesterday a letter from Glasgow informing me that there is a box on board the Nahant directed to my care and containing among others, articles for you but the vessel has not yet arrived – as soon as she gets here I shall with such dispatch as may be, gain possession & at once forward whatever there may be for you – The circular must have miscarried – Your first number I found at our book shops and hope you will go on steadily to the end of the chapter for such a work is very much wanted – I shall be

happy to loan you my Texian specimens
and shall be glad to have your names
attached to them. The Gyperaceæ have been
removed but these you have already examined,
Leguminosæ my impression is you still [illegible] retain
the balance I will endeavour to send at some
time with your parcel from Sir W H
— I sent Reynolds some time since my
set of his Chilian plants which ~~he~~ I think
Gray was to have described for him — will you
ask the Dr if he knows any thing about them
& if Reynolds has no further occasion for them
take care of them for me — Where is Nuttall?

I have ~~a~~ not a complete set, but a
very respectable proportion of the plants
collected by Richardson & Drummond &
described in Hooker's Vol F. I. Bor Am - but
as it is probable you have the same form

our friend H — I shall probably remain
at home this winter

Gray I presume is still with you
if so offer my regards

And believe me —
Yrs Truly

Benj D Lyman

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Order on the other side, torn off -

have applied but have had no opportunity of
forwarding any thing to you & perhaps should
not have written now but two days since. I rec.d
a letter from Dr Hooker in which he says he has
sent several things for me to your care - among
others the last of Drummond's collections from
Texas if you have rec.d them I should be happy
to have you examine the bundle & if it contains
any Cyperaceæ keep them as long as you
wish - in a packet which I have here from Texas
I think about a dozen species of Cyperus which
I shall be happy to send you when I have an opportunity
- I never have been rich in this genus & I believe you

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have seen every thing I had before my going to Europe
of the second No of our Journal I have endeavoured
but unsuccessfully to procure for you. The printed
copies were all consumed in a few two or three
months since Gould however tells me that Curtis
who is I believe in Wilmington N.C. took with
him a considerable number of copies of his paper
and no doubt will be happy to send it to you
The companion to D. H.'s Journal I have not yet
seen - he tells me he has sent it among the articles for-
warded to you - I found in looking over some carried
the other day which I sent to Copley when in Paris
that he says one of my Yorkshire plants which I
had considered a new species is the oligosperma of
Michaux and I have no doubt he is right the
description corresponds very well it belongs to the
section (male & female spikes distinct - male spikes
several) Who doing nothing myself I am rejoiced to hear
that you & Gray are at work, but who would be likely
to subscribe for his work in this part of the world I do not
know - Ramina & Cyp I mean, with which I have been
highly delighted - I put quite romps in my having

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before this paid for the two copies I have had both hoping to see you in Boston (which hope can hardly be said to have now any existence) & expecting to have been long before this in N York. My visit has been delayed to this moment — I now enclose an order on Messrs Shipman & Conning for $20 which I think is the amt due you for the Nos I have rec'd

I have heard of your New Jersey Empetrum but have not yet seen it — I picked up a violet on the White Hills last summer which I thought might be new — it resembles very much V. palustris also a little potentilla which I had seen before but which I am not aware has been ever noticed as an american species. P. Bannniana of Persoon's synopsis. Nuttall some years since suggested that it might be this plant & showed me two specimens of the Bannniana which certainly were very much like it — The specimens we then had were brought from the same locality by Copley — I am sorry to say that he seems to have abandoned wholly his botanical studies whether he will ever resume them I can't tell but hope he may

very sincerely y[ou]r friend D Greene

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Professor of Chemistry &
New York

Boston Oct 5, 38

HARLEY CORRESPONDENCE
HARVARD
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My dear Sir

I am going to Europe &
expect to sail for Liverpool next
Saturday if you have any thing to
send Hooker Booth or Asnoth
shall be happy to take charge of
the same - intend to bring on
Persian plants for you when I come
— Thursday or Friday next inquire
at Astor house — Asnoth has not
yet arrived shall leave directions
to have your books forwarded should
it not come in before I leave

very truly Yrs J D Greene

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GARDEN.

from the D. D. Brooke Collection
Given by A. M. VAIL. MAR 4 - 1907

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Boston. Oct: 8. 1840.

My dear Sir,

Since you were here I have returned to Boston, the contents of which combined my library has disappeared, & one may travel in safety across the room without being in danger from piles of books or heaps of plants; this being the most important revolution I have to record. I hasten to inform you of it — Secondly I have examined sundry packages of plants, & have routed out sorts of Pyrgineria — a very respectable lot, Drummond & Richardson from North West, a small bunch, Drummond, Texas, & a very considerable

quantity, Drummond — Louisiana
Alabama — Shall I bundle them
up & send them on to you? You
have, I believe, a lot of Leguminosæ
of mine which if you have done with,
I should like to have returned — I do Rey-
-nolds in N York now — he borrowed of me
some time since my set of his Chilian
plants, should you see him, would you
have the goodness to say I should like to have
them again if he has no further occasion
for them?

"copy of outside of a letter from Sir W J Hooker
" Received by G.T. May 19th 1840. The "
" parcel will be forwarded by Wiley &
" Putnam " — G.T. I presume means
you — but I have never heard any thing
of the parcel —— Lessing's Synopsis

compositarum is amongst my books at your service tho' I presume you have it.

Very truly, yrs J. F. Lewis.

P.S. — Can you tell me any thing of a Dr Robb professor of natural History Fredericton? I have a parcel for this gentleman from Mr Robb of Paris, but know not where to find him

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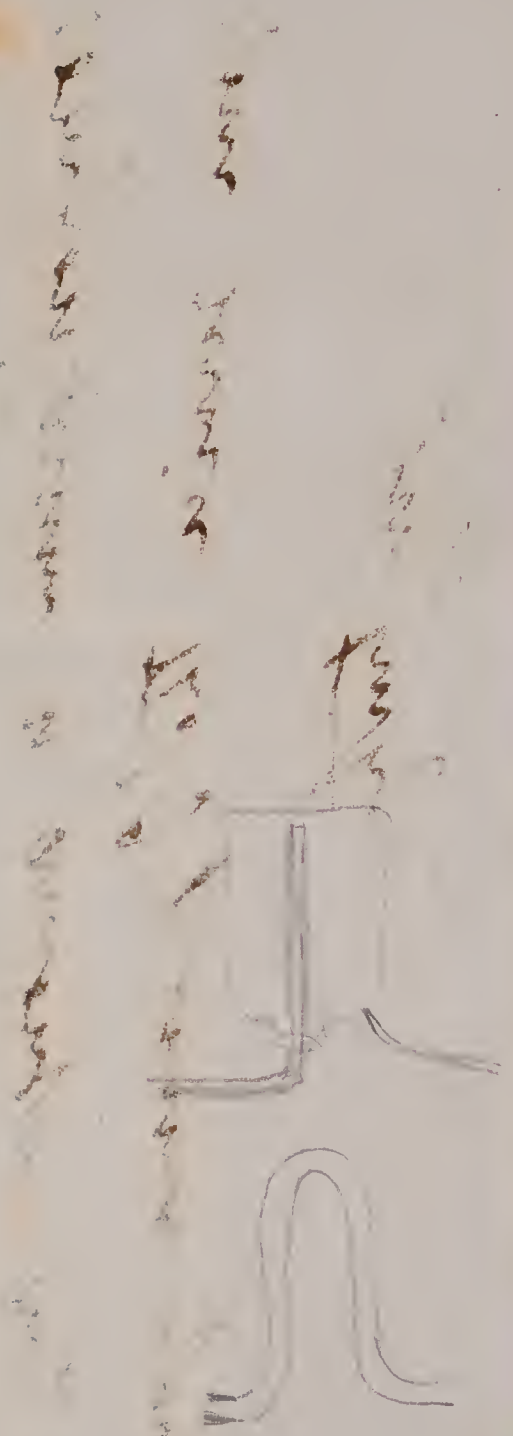
Send all the Compositae, particularly Drummond's, to Robb is Professor at Fredericton, New Brunswick. — Write him, and ask how parcels are to be forwarded. I have a small one now for him, and another was forwarded some months ago by a private hand to New Brunswick. —

Will enquire at W. & Putnams for parcel.



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My dear Sir

On returning home to dinner on Wednesday last I learned that Mr Macrae of Montreal was in town that he was with Mr Tuckerman and that he had shown evidently signs of mental alienation – I immediately walked in to Mr T's to ascertain whether this was so & to consult as to measures to be taken – Macrae had left him but I found Mr T and was satisfied from his account that Macrae must be insane & appointed to call on him with Tuckerman that P. M. at 4 O Clock – a few minutes before the hour Tuckerman called on me to let me know that Macrae had taken the cars for N. York – I had intended

if it should be found necessary to
have him conveyed to the Asylum at
Charlestown both there now nothing
to be done — I am very desirous of knowing
what has become of them since he
left Boston & should be very much obliged,
if you can give me any information
on the subject, by your doing so

I am very truly Yrs Rob. D. Evans

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